

# *Good Shepherd Lutheran Church*

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### *Second Sunday of Christmas*

### *Christmas Carols and Stories*

*"next to the Word of God, music deserves the highest praise"*  
*Martin Luther*

*from: Preface to Geroge Rhau's Symphoniae incundae 1538*

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*Thank you for joining our service today.*

Prelude

Welcome

Introduction

Hymn and Story      ELW# 278 Away in a Manger

- 1    Away in a manger, no crib for his bed,  
     the little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head;  
     the stars in the bright sky looked down where he lay,  
     the little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.
  
- 3    Be near me, Lord Jesus; I ask you to stay  
     close by me forever and love me, I pray.  
     Bless all the dear children in your tender care  
     and fit us for heaven, to live with you there.

Text: North American, 19th cent.

Hymn and Story      ELW# 300 The First Noel

- 1    The first Noel the angel did say  
     was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;  
     in fields where they lay, keeping their sheep,  
     on a cold winter's night that was so deep.

*Refrain*

Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel!  
Born is the King of Israel.

- 2    They looked up and saw a star  
     shining in the east beyond them far;  
     and to the earth it gave great light,  
     and so it continued both day and night.    *Refrain*

Text: English traditional

Hymn and Story      ELW# 283 O Come, All Ye Faithful

- 1 O come, all ye faithful,  
joyful and triumphant!  
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;  
come and behold him,  
born the king of angels:

*Refrain*

O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him,  
O come, let us adore him,  
Christ the Lord!

- 3 Sing, choirs of angels,  
sing in exultation,  
sing, all ye citizens of heaven above!  
Glory to God  
in the highest: *Refrain*

Text: attr. John Francis Wade, 1711-1786;  
tr. Frederick Oakeley, 1802-1880, sts. 1, 3-4; tr. unknown, st. 2

Hymn and Story      CHRISTMAS

Hymn and Story      ELW#289 Angels We Have Heard on High

- 1 Angels we have heard on high,  
sweetly singing o'er the plains,  
and the mountains in reply,  
echoing their joyous strains.

Refrain

Gloria in excelsis Deo;  
gloria in excelsis Deo.

- 2 Shepherds, why this jubilee?  
Why your joyous strains prolong?  
What the gladsome tidings be  
which inspire your heav'nly song? *Refrain*

Text: French carol; tr. H. F. Hemy, *The Crown of Jesus Music*, 1864

## Prayer .

### We lift our prayers for

*Lynn Lyvers, Dick Johnson, Delbert Scheider, Jerry, Sheridan Brinker, Fern Harnish, Lois Paulsen, Taylor B., Gene Hesselbacher, Lisa Wienand, Connor Stadermann, Jaden, Brooke, Jon Forsythe, Diane, Randy, Brian, Deb Lindeman Harder, Paul Heller, Dave Heinkel, Cindy Tessendorf, the Heimann Family, Janet, Lori, J.T., Dan and Sue White, Ryse Stone, Harry Perra Jr, Nicole, Meghan, Kelly Thurman, Tom, Brian Gobeli, John, Jerred, Bronwein, Matt and Julie, Susan Anderson, Chuck, Joyce, Marcia, Deb, Mary Gerbode, Terri, Carla, Tina, Julie, Karla, J.T., Annie, Jamie, Penny Day, Crystal, Jesse Becke, Sue, Pastor Art Stees, Carl Watson, Tina Diddens Tana, Katie, Christian, Anna, Abby We pray for those serving overseas, especially Kyle.*

## Hymn and Story      ELW# 281 Silent Night

- 1    Silent night, holy night! All is calm, all is bright  
      round yon virgin mother and child. Holy Infant, so tender and  
      mild, sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in heavenly peace.
- 2    Silent night, holy night! Shepherds quake at the sight;  
      glories stream from heaven afar, heav'nly hosts sing, alleluia!  
      Christ, the Savior, is born! Christ, the Savior, is born!
- 3    Silent night, holy night! Son of God, love's pure light  
      radiant beams from your holy face, with the dawn of redeem-  
      ing grace, Jesus, Lord, at your birth, Jesus, Lord, at your birth.

Text: Joseph Mohr, 1792-1849; tr. John F. Young, 1820-1885

## Blessing and Dismissal

L: Almighty God, who sent the Holy Spirit to Mary, proclaimed joy through the angels, sent the shepherds with good news, and led the magi by a star, bless you this day ☐ through the Word made flesh. Amen.

L: Go in peace. Share the gift of Jesus. **Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude